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A large, light blue oval graphic with a soft, glowing effect, containing several small, semi-transparent hearts in various shades of blue and green. The text "Love and Forgiveness" is centered within the oval in a bold, dark blue, sans-serif font.

**Love
and
Forgiveness**

THIS TUESDAY

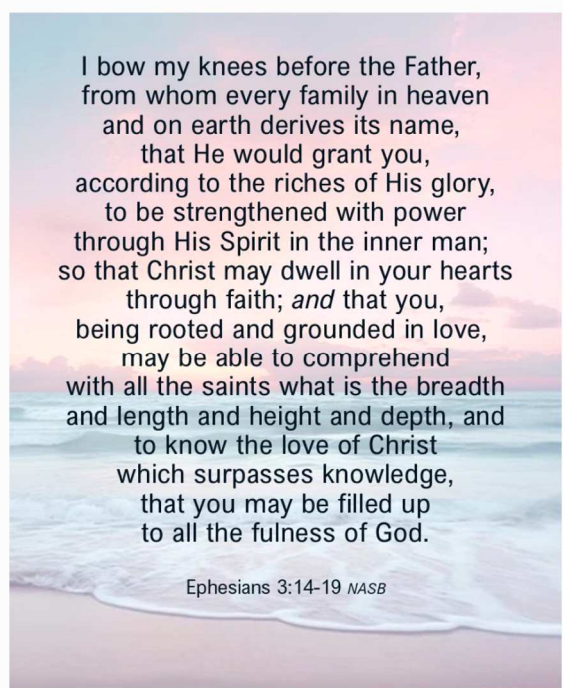
Church Family Conference



Tuesday, February 25
6:00PM in the Fellowship Hall
All Welcome
Only members may vote



CHILDREN'S CHURCH—Beginning today, Children's Church is for those 4 to 9 years old. Students 10 years old and up get to stay with their parents.



I bow my knees before the Father,
from whom every family in heaven
and on earth derives its name,
that He would grant you,
according to the riches of His glory,
to be strengthened with power
through His Spirit in the inner man;
so that Christ may dwell in your hearts
through faith; *and* that you,
being rooted and grounded in love,
may be able to comprehend
with all the saints what is the breadth
and length and height and depth, and
to know the love of Christ
which surpasses knowledge,
that you may be filled up
to all the fulness of God.

Ephesians 3:14-19 *NASB*

CPF Family Directory



Ed encourages us to **pray through our directory frequently**. If you are a regular attendee of CPF, whether a member, winter attendee, or a frequent visitor, we'd like to include you in our church-wide directory.

Copies of the directory are available to everyone with a photo in the directory. They are printed upon request. Contact Sandy in the office for a copy. This would be a good time to update information and your family photo. Black and white copies are free, colored available for the cost of printing (approx. \$3).

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BLAST



6:00PM Family Dinner (donations appreciated)

6:45PM SALTY YOUTH grades 9-12

WARRIORS FOR CHRIST grades 6-8

Boys Club grades K-5

Girls Club grades K-5

Preschool 3-5 years old

CPF Calendar

Sunday, February 23

- 9:00 am Worship
Children's Church (4–9 years old)
10:30 am Life Groups

Monday, February 24

- 9:30 am BSF Ladies
11:00 am Ladies' Book Club (see left)

Tuesday, February 25

- 6:00 pm 1st Qtr FAMILY CONFERENCE (see left)

Wednesday, February 26

- 7:00 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
9:00 am Women's Bible Study (see back)
6:00 pm WNB Supper (all welcome, donation appreciated)
6:45 pm Wednesday Night BLAST
Groups from 3 years through High School

Thursday, February 27

- 9:30 am Prayer Circle (see back)
7:00 pm Payne Life Group (see back)

Sunday, March 1

- 9:00 am Worship
Children's Church (4 years—5th grade)
10:30 am Life Groups

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Birthday & Anniversary Calendar

The printed calendar in the lobby (in the *Love One Another* area) has the month's **birthdays and anniversaries** on the back. (The online calendar is always the most up to date for events.)



CrossPointe Public: GoCrossPointe



Message Videos:
YouTube.com//@CPF-AMI

Children's Church (4 years through 5th grade) dismisses from the sanctuary following the music portion of the worship service.



Age-appropriate Life Groups for Babies through 12th grade meet at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. Most meet on the 2nd floor of the Education Building.

CPF Adult Groups meeting weekly

Day	Time	Topic/Group	Leader/Contact	Location
Sun	10:30 am	<i>1 Corinthians</i>	Stoney Stone	Sanctuary
	10:30 am	<i>Hebrews</i>	David Moss	Basement
	10:30 am	<i>James</i> (Women's Group)	Jill Hutsko	Room 1
	10:30 am	<i>How Then Shall We Live?</i>	Steve Pettit	Room 7
Wed	7:00 am	<i>Hebrews</i> (Men's Group)	Ed Moss	Fellowship Hall
	9:00 am	<i>Immeasurably More!</i> (Women's Group)	Sue DeForest	Room 1
Thurs	9:30 am	Prayer Circle (<i>Hope Seeds</i> follows)	Eloise Bobbitt	Bobbitt home
	7:00 pm	<i>Hebrews</i>	Howard Payne	Payne home

Room numbers are upstairs in the Education Bldg. Fellowship Hall is the downstairs area of the Education Bldg. "Basement" is behind the choir loft—through either wood door to the sides of the stage..

Several other groups, including our Persecuted Church Team, Mission Team, Compassion Center workers, and more, meet **monthly** or **bi-weekly**. Please check our calendar on the website for information about those groups.

GIVING INFORMATION:

Our Donation Buckets are by the doors leading to the lobby

You may give online at our website or use our giving app: **Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement**, available from your mobile app store. You can also give by creating payments through your bank, or simply drop a check (or cash) in an offering bucket as you leave today.

Giving Note: The Church Council has authorized "designated giving" for several ministries. Your gift designation is the highest priority. However, in accordance with IRS/ governmental regulations, CPF retains discretion over the use of all gifts..

Love and Forgiveness

2/23/25

1 Corinthians 13

- ⁴ Love is patient,
love is kind
and is not jealous;
love does not brag
and is not arrogant,
⁵ does not act unbecomingly;
it does not seek its own,
is not provoked,
does not take into account a wrong *suffered*,
⁶ does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth;
⁷ **bears all things,**
believes all things,
hopes all things,
endures all things.

Notes:

love = value

Forgiveness = release

How to forgive a fellow believer:

L_____ (1 Corinthians 13:5)

Other helps to forgive:

1. Meditate on G_____ love for the offender

Matthew 18:12 “What do you think? If any man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go and search for the one that is straying? ¹³ If it turns out that he finds it, truly I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine which have not gone astray. ¹⁴ So it is not *the* will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones perish.

2. C_____ the offender if possible

3. R_____ if possible

¹⁵ “If your brother sins, go and show him his fault in private; if he listens to you, you have won your brother. ¹⁶ But if he does not listen *to you*, take one or two more with you, so that by the mouth of two or three witnesses every fact may be confirmed. ¹⁷ If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

4. T_____ the offender and the debt to God

¹⁸ Truly I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall have been bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall have been loosed in heaven.

¹⁹ “Again I say to you, that if two of you agree on earth about anything that they may ask, it shall be done for them by My Father who is in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst.”

5. Remember that forgiving is a l_____

²¹ Then Peter came and said to Him, “Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him? Up to seven times?” ²² Jesus *said to him, “I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven.

6. Consider how much God has forgiven u__

²³ “For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴ When he had begun to settle *them*, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him. ²⁵ But since he did not have *the means* to repay, his lord commanded him to be sold, along with his wife and children and all that he had, and repayment to be made. ²⁶ So the slave fell *to the ground* and prostrated himself before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me and I will repay you everything.’ ²⁷ And the lord of that slave felt compassion and released him and forgave him the debt.

7. Forgive as we have been f_____

²⁸ But that slave went out and found one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and he seized him and *began* to choke *him*, saying, ‘Pay back what you owe.’ ²⁹ So his fellow slave fell *to the ground* and *began* to plead with him, saying, ‘Have patience with me and I will repay you.’ ³⁰ But he was unwilling and went and threw him in prison until he should pay back what was owed.

³¹ So when his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were deeply grieved and came and reported to their lord all that had happened. ³² Then summoning him, his lord *said to him, 'You wicked slave, I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ Should you not also have had mercy on your fellow slave, in the same way that I had mercy on you?'

8. Consider the high c_____ of unforgiveness and the blessing of forgiveness

³⁴ And his lord, moved with anger, handed him over to the torturers until he should repay all that was owed him. ³⁵ My heavenly Father will also do the same to you, if each of you does not forgive his brother from your heart."